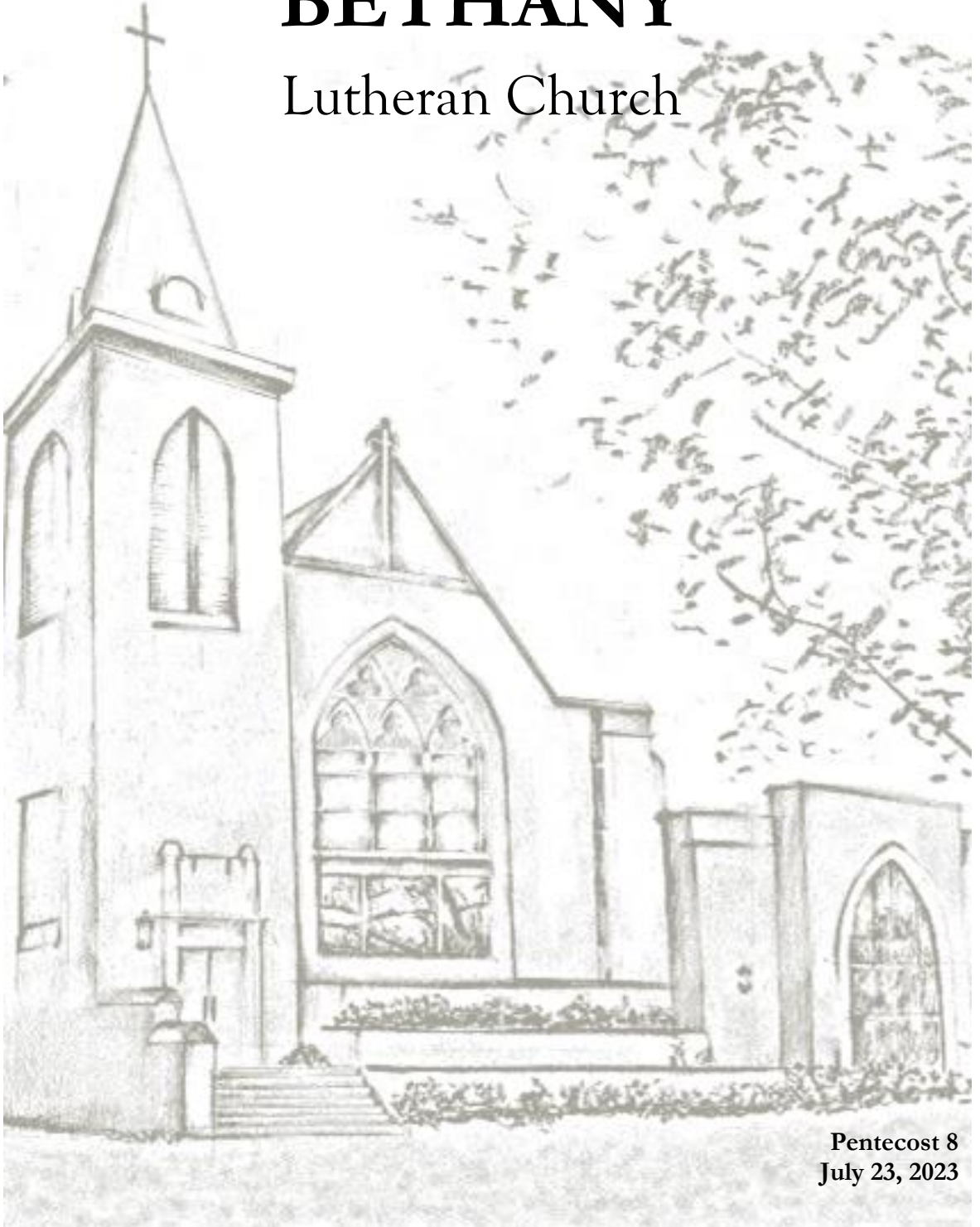


# BETHANY

Lutheran Church



Pentecost 8  
July 23, 2023

# WELCOME TO BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

## **Welcome**

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you as we gather to hear God's holy Word and celebrate the meal of Holy Communion. We are blessed by your presence. As God welcomes all people through the saving grace of Jesus, so do we seek to welcome all God's people to be together in Christ – to love, to grow, and to serve.

Should you have no church home, you are invited to consider Bethany. If you have questions for the pastor or church office, please call at 630.879.3444 or visit our website at [www.bethanybatavia.org](http://www.bethanybatavia.org). Welcome!

## **Assistance in Worship**

For those who find it difficult to stand or prefer to sit during any part of the service, please feel free to remain seated.

## **Children's Resources**

Children's worship bulletins are available in the narthex and from the ushers.

## **Nursery**

While not staffed, the nursery is open for parents who may find it helpful. The nursery is located on the sanctuary level, where you will find a changing table, rocking chair and some toys. You can still hear the worship service through a speaker in the room. Ask an usher if you need assistance.

## **Cell Phones and Pagers**

Please silence all cell phones and pagers. Thank you.

## **Holy Communion**

In Holy Communion the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. All are invited to the table where Christ himself is host. If you desire to be baptized, or to learn more about Holy Baptism, please speak to the pastor.

## **As We Gather:**

We may be tempted to scurry away from Matthew's continued revelation of God's judgment in a vain effort to save ourselves from impending doom. But all too often we confuse judgement with punishment. They are quite different. Jesus reveals that the God for whom we long in the midst of the world's – and our – sin and brokenness is a faithful God, a loving God, and a powerful God who holds true to the divine promise. The God of judgement is the very same God of grace. And in spite of all our fears and sins, this God loves us. This God saves from punishment.

# + GATHERING +

PRELUDE: O Holy Spirit, Enter In

David Cherwien

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*We stand.*

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit...

C **Amen.**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just  
will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

P Most merciful God,

C **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us  
and, for his sake, God forgives us all our sins.  
As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority,  
I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,  
in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, and in our hearts your  
 2 Left to our - selves, we sure - ly stray; oh, lead us on the  
 3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, let your good Word in



work be - gin, and make our hearts your dwell - ing. Sun of the soul,  
 nar - row way, with wis - est coun - sel guide us; and give us stead -  
 doubt and strife be in us strong - ly burn - ing, that we be faith -



O Light di - vine, a - round and in us bright - ly shine, your strength  
 fast - ness, that we may fol - low you for - ev - er free, no mat -  
 ful un - to death and live in love and ho - ly faith, from you



in us up - well - ing. In your ra - diance life from heav - en now is  
 ter who de - rides us. Gent - ly heal those hearts now bro - ken; give some  
 true wis - dom learn - ing. Lord, your mer - cy on us show - er; by your



giv - en o - ver - flow - ing, gift of gifts be - yond all know - ing.  
 to - ken you are near us, whom we trust to light and cheer us.  
 pow - er Christ con - fess - ing, we will cher - ish all your bless - ing.

### APOSTOLIC GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE: Salvation Belongs to Our God



☐ Sal-va-tion be-longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for-ev-er and ev-er.



① Great and won-der-ful are your deeds, O God of the u-ni-verse;



just and true are your ways, O Rul-er of all the na-tions.



Who can fail to hon-or you, Lord, and sing the glo-ry of your name?



☐ Sal-va-tion be-longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for-ev-er and ev-er.



② For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One. All



na-tions will draw near and wor-ship be-fore you,



for your just and ho-ly works have been re-vealed.



☐ Sal-va-tion be-longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for-ev-er and ev-er.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Faithful God, most merciful judge,  
you care for your children with firmness and compassion.  
By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom,  
that we may be rooted in the way of your Son,  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

*We sit.*

## + WORD +

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 44:6–8

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel,  
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:  
I am the first and I am the last;  
besides me there is no god.  
<sup>7</sup>Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,  
let them declare and set it forth before me.  
Who has announced from of old the things to come?  
Let them tell us what is yet to be.  
<sup>8</sup>Do not fear, or be afraid;  
have I not told you from of old and declared it?  
You are my witnesses!  
Is there any god besides me?  
There is no other rock; I know not one.

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND READING: Romans 8:12–25

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh  
— <sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death  
the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of  
God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received  
a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with  
our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint

*(Reading continues on the next page.)*

heirs with Christ — if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

<sup>18</sup>I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; <sup>20</sup>for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup>that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now;<sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*We stand.*


### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all praise to you!



Our hearts burn with - in us while you o - pen to us the Scrip- tures.



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all praise to you!

**HOLY GOSPEL:** Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; <sup>25</sup>but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. <sup>26</sup>So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. <sup>27</sup>And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' <sup>28</sup>He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' <sup>29</sup>But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup>Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

<sup>36</sup>Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." <sup>37</sup>He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; <sup>38</sup>the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, <sup>39</sup>and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup>Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup>The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, <sup>42</sup>and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup>Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We sit.*

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Reilly Garrity

**SERMON**

Emma Hess/High School Youth





1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.  
 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield;  
 3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his har - vest home;  
 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home.



All be safe - ly gath - ered in ere the win - ter storms be - gin.  
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.  
 from his field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;  
 Gath - er then thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.  
 First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.  
 give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,  
 there, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy gar - ner to a - bide.



Come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home.  
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.  
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.  
 Come, with all thine an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

## APOSTLES' CREED

P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

L O God, you call your church to announce the gospel of reconciliation and truth both near and far. Guide your church as it seeks your wisdom and shares it, trusting your Spirit bearing witness among us. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

L You brought forth all creation and called it good. Direct policymakers to protect lands and seas. Bring rain to sun-parched fields and protect areas impacted by natural disasters. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

L You desire peace among nations and peoples. Guard our neighborhoods from hatred, watch over police officers and firefighters, and teach us to advocate for those who live in fear. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

L You are gracious and merciful, comforting those who suffer any affliction. Sustain your people living with HIV/AIDS, provide shelter for all who are unhoused, and release any who are unjustly imprisoned. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

L You name each of us as your children. Guide our hospitality ministry to welcome all, our education ministry to equip us for faithful living, and our social ministry to enact the gospel in our community. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

- L You send faithful people to proclaim freedom from bondage and to renew your church.  
Encourage us by the witness of the faithful departed, so that we live into that same hope. Hear us, O God.
- C **Your mercy is great.**
- P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,  
Trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C **Amen.**

+ **MEAL** +

**PEACE OF CHRIST**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C **And also with you.**

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*We sit.*

**OFFERING VOLUNTARY:** Come, You Thankful People, Come

Don Hustad

*We stand.*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

- L Let us pray. God of mercy and grace,
- C **the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing.**  
**Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the**  
**help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord, Amen.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

- P The Lord be with you.
- C **And also with you.**
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**
- P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places  
offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord.  
Who on this day overcame death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.  
And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P Creating God and Loving Lord,  
 The heavens and the earth reflect your majesty.  
 The dawning of each new day brings with it the promise of new life.  
 Every sunrise carries the hope of grace.  
 Every summer rain calls forth new growth.  
 Every sunset beckons peace into our world.  
 Every night the stars and celestial bodies show off the brilliance of your artistic creativity.  
 And every time we gather for this meal, the human family is brought together across all times and places.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,

he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,

that we may receive our Lord with a living faith

as he comes to us in his holy supper.

**C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,**

**thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;**

**and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

P These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

**C Thanks be to God.**

P All are welcome at the Lord's table. Come, for all is now ready.

*We sit.*

### LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

# COMMUNION

*Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to his banquet meal. The crucified and risen Christ is present in the Lord's Supper, giving us his true body and blood as food and drink.*

*Gluten-FREE rice wafers are available upon request and for those desiring it, non-alcoholic wine cups are in the center of the tray.*

## MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION

HYMN: Blessed Assurance

ELW #638



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.  
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.  
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

*Refrain*



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.



1 Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no  
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and  
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear



shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -  
 stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in  
 pres - ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright



pas - sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
 hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Refrain*

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by



morn - ing new mer - cies I see; all I have need - ed thy



hand hath pro - vid - ed; great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me.

*We stand.***POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER**

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace.

C **Amen.**

L Let us pray. Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

## + SENDING +

### BENEDICTION

P The eternal Creator calls us.

The risen Savior sends us.

The dynamic Spirit empowers us.

Almighty God: Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us now and forever.

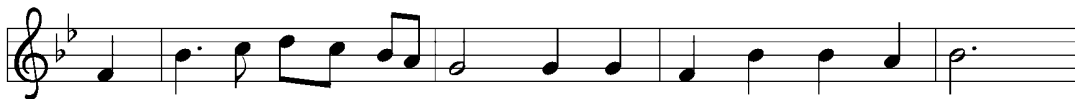
C **Amen.**

### SENDING HYMN: Sing to the Lord of Harvest

ELW #694



1 Sing to the Lord of har - vest your songs of love and praise;  
2 God makes the clouds drop fat - ness, the des - erts bloom and spring,  
3 Bring to this sa - cred al - tar the gifts his good-ness gave,



with joy - ful hearts and voic - es your al - le - lu - ias raise;  
the hills leap up in glad - ness, the val - leys laugh and sing.  
the gold - en sheaves of har - vest, the souls Christ died to save.



by him the roll - ing sea - sons in fruit - ful or - der move;  
God fills them with his full - ness, all things with large in - crease,  
Your hearts lay down be - fore him when at his feet you fall,



sing to the Lord of har - vest a joy - ous song of love.  
and crowns the year with good - ness, with plen - ty and with peace.  
and with your lives a - dore him who gave his life for all.



**DISMISSAL**

L Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE:** O Holy Spirit, Enter In

John Ferguson



## LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Jeffrey Mikyska, Presiding Minister  
Aidan Garrity, Worship Leader  
Mark Waldron, Organist  
Morgan Hutchens, Reader  
Fred Holch, George Hutchens, A/V  
Becky Klitzkie, Jackie Page, Altar Guild  
Graham Gustafson, Acolyte  
Ralph Beck, Jon Habegger, Parker Klitzkie,  
Ushers  
Aidan Garrity, Marissa Hunt, Nate Hunt, Comm. Asst's  
Emma Hess, Piano

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Jeffrey Mikyska, Senior Pastor  
Mark Waldron, Director of Music  
Alan Spear, Organist  
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Susan Jarocki, Administrative Assistant  
Emma Hess, Youth Director  
Ed McQuillan, Financial Secretary

## YOUR CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEMBERS

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If you have questions or concerns for members of the Church Council you're invited to speak with them personally or via email to [council@bethanybatavia.org](mailto:council@bethanybatavia.org).

**Bethany's Vision:** We are a Grace-based, people-powered, refuge for all.

**Code of Conduct:** At Bethany, we believe everyone should live a faithful life in service with charity, kindness and integrity, and treat others with respect and understanding, act responsibly, and serve as an example of Christian faith in action.

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## LET US PRAY...

*We pray for all who are hospitalized in our greater community and for those who are serving them.*

### **Please pray for those who are part of the life of Bethany who struggle with illness and other concerns:**

**Marie Holtz**, Mary Bradtmueller, Diane Garland, Debbie Garrison, Shirley Grant, Deb Hruby, Anna Jackson, Karin Johnston, Luke & Diane Land, Bill Lechnick, Bob Novy, Louise Pruitt, JoAnn Sargent, George & Shirley Striedl, Pat Sullivan, Brigitte Winkler

### **Please pray for those who are homebound and those in a care facility:**

Mark Anderson	Silverado Memory Care, St Charles
Lois Elfstrom	Aurora, IL
Dolores Hoffman	Heritage Woods
Bill Keele	Heritage Woods
Pam Klingberg	Heritage Woods
Wanda Krentz	Harry J. Ekstam, Holmstad
Mildred Miller	Reserve of Geneva, Geneva
Rhonda Nelson	Batavia, IL
Joan Olson	Michaelsen Health Center, Holmstad
Jay & Carol Wierz	Harry J. Ekstam, Holmstad

### **Please pray for all those serving in the military, especially those who are connected to our congregation.**

Owen Schuster

### **Please pray for our family and friends:**

#### **Marilyn**

Maggie Prokes  
Tracy Clark  
Joe V.  
Sarah McCarthy  
Mary Lawrence  
Steven & Janice Brown & Grace  
Lee Peterson  
Loda George Ricker  
Calvin, Diane & Family  
Vicki Johnson  
Christine Smith  
Katie Taylor  
Jane Wirth  
Michelle Hartzell  
Faith Lutheran Church, Cambridge, MA (fire)  
Batavia Interfaith Food Pantry  
Rick Gaston  
Bob Gustafson  
Bonnie & Jim Hines  
Tina Motter  
Mary Hughs  
Dottie  
Diane Sharp  
Lizzie Bork  
Nancy  
Jeffrey Campbell  
Kate and Family

#### **Friend of Tom & Dee Schuman**

Friend of Bob & Sue Novy  
Sister of Tara Shannon  
Neighbor of Bob & Kathi Gorlewski  
Friend of Jan Bristow & Kathy Richmond  
Sister-in-Law of Carole Benson  
Friends of Tom & Dee Schuman  
Friend of Dottie White  
Friend of Fred & Ann Holch  
Friends of Kathy Richmond  
Sister-in-Law of Val Schalk  
On the passing of her brother, Friend of Pastor Jeff & Gail Mikyska  
Great Niece of Ken & Judy Henschler  
Friend of Ken & Judy Henschler  
Friend of Beth Richard  
  
Friend of Ann Holch  
Husband of Cindy Gustafson/Father to Nate Gustafson & Janna Stahl  
Parents of Suzanne Grashorn  
Sister of Jackie Page  
Sister of Jackie Page  
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Paul Mazen  
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Heather Staudacher, Dr. Mark Staudacher & family,  
Phil  
Kathy Dee's Family  
Mary Jo Benstein's Family  
Susan Sheley  
Bonnie  
Carole W.  
Brad Blue  
Diane Ekstam Johnson  
Tammy English  
Jerry Martin  
Teri Prokes  
Tony Prokes  
Kelli Robertson  
Wolfgang Smailus  
Ed Stahl

Son-in-Law of Shyla Carbone  
Friend of Bob & Sue Novy  
Friend of Linda Sullivan  
Friend of Lynn & Bill Dreymler  
Friend of Lois Benson & Dottie White  
Sister of Tom & Dee Schuman  
Friend of Luke & Diane Land  
Friend of Beth Richard  
Cousin of Pastor Jeff & Gail Mikyska  
Friend of Schuman Family  
Daughter of Ann Holch  
Son of Aaron Anderson  
Friend of Kathy Richmond & Sandy Conn  
Friends of Debbie Garrison  
Friend and Colleague of Pastor Jeff & Gail  
Friend of Katie Robertson  
Beth Richard's Father

Sister-in-Law of Doug Boehm  
Friend/Coworker of Beth Richard  
Lynn Dreymler's brother  
Teri Figura  
Teri Figura  
Daughter of Louise Pruitt  
Friend of Pastor Jeff  
Friend of Ann & Fred Holch  
Friend of Lois Benson  
Mother of Mary Helen Ekstam  
Daughter of Shirley Streidl  
Father of Nicki McVey  
Sister of Sue & Bob Novy  
Brother-in-law of Bob & Sue Novy  
Daughter of Diane Schalk  
Brother-in-law of Marty Offutt Gruber  
Father of Dan Stahl

**Please pray for those who mourn the passing of:**

**Pat Quast**

**Janis Graffagna**

Linda Thorson

**Sister of Gerry Hodge, Gregg Hodge & Sandra Wagner**

Friend of Bob & Sue Novy

## THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

### Sunday, July 23

9am ..... Worship – Youth Sunday ..... Sanctuary  
10am ..... Coffee Hour ..... Fellowship Hall  
3:30pm ..... Bethany – Softball League Game ..... Peck Farm Field #3

### Monday, July 24

8:30am ..... Bethany Walking Group ..... Ministry Center Gym  
9am ..... Counters ..... Conference Room  
12:30pm ..... Staff Meeting ..... Conference Room

### Tuesday, July 25

8:30am ..... Bethany Walking Group ..... Ministry Center Gym  
9am ..... Quilters/Prayer Shawl Ministry ..... Fellowship Hall  
6:30pm ..... DV Support Group ..... Youth Room/Courtyard  
6:30pm ..... Girls BSA Troop 606 ..... Vlahn Room/Gym

### Wednesday, July 26

8:30am ..... Bethany Walking Group ..... Ministry Center Gym  
10am ..... Senior Advocacy Group ..... Library  
1pm ..... Organ Rehearsal ..... Sanctuary

### Thursday, July 27

8:30am ..... Bethany Walking Group ..... Ministry Center Gym  
6:30pm ..... Boy Scout Troop 6 ..... Vlahn Room/Gym

### Friday, July 28

8:30am ..... Bethany Walking Group ..... Ministry Center Gym  
9:30am ..... Fox Valley Court Watch ..... Library  
5pm ..... Community Supper ..... Fellowship Hall/Kitchen

### Saturday, July 29

10am ..... Al-Anon ..... Library  
10am ..... Al-Ateen ..... Lower Level  
8pm ..... AA ..... Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, July 30

9am ..... Worship ..... Sanctuary  
10am ..... Coffee Hour ..... Fellowship Hall  
2:15pm ..... Bethany – Softball League Game ..... Peck Farm Field #3